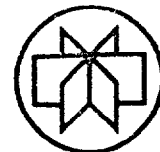


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A level of risk that approaches the intolerable, once we are well aware of it, may be impossible to verify by direct measurement of disease diffused throughout the population. In exceptional circumstances, an effect like the peculiar malformations induced by thalidomide comes to the surface, and then achieves a visibility and notoriety all out of proportion to other agents. If the malformation induced by thalidomide were a mental retardation of ten percent of the I.Q. instead of a highly characteristic and unusual deformation of the limbs, in an equal number of subjects, we would be unaware of it to this day.

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[2-199: Compare G. Rose "Strategy of Preventive Medicine" 1992.]

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